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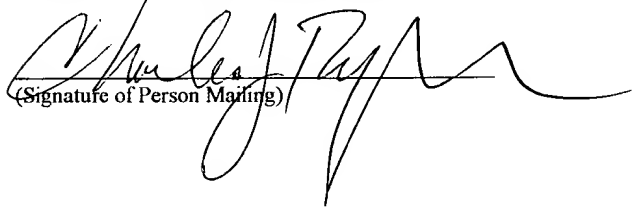
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 10, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.